

## REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request favorable reconsideration of this application, as amended. Claims 1–26, previously canceled, have now been included in the Listing of Claims with the proper status identifier. Claims 27–47 are pending.

Applicants submit that this application is in condition for allowance and should now be passed to issue. A Notice of Allowance is respectfully solicited.

If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and has not been requested separately, such extension is hereby requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees and to credit any overpayments that may be required by this paper under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 50-1165.

Respectfully submitted,

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